

## Silver Bow County 2003 Count of Persons by Age, Race, and Gender

		American Indian & Alaska Native		Asian Alone & Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
School Age	White Alone	Black Alone	Alone	Islander Alone					
5 to 9	Total Female	Total Female	5	2	65	27	10	8	51
5 to 9	1,836	944							27
10 to 14	Total Female	Total Female	5	3	85	36	7	3	50
10 to 14	2,143	1,034							24
15 to 19	Total Female	Total Female	6	2	50	25	21	10	42
15 to 19	2,162	1,039							22
20 to 24	Total Female	Total Female	5	0	62	25	20	5	37
20 to 24	2,181	1,026							18
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,322</b>	<b>4,043</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>180</b>
									<b>91</b>
									<b>360</b>
									<b>194</b>
		American Indian & Alaska Native		Asian Alone & Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
Working Age	White Alone	Black Alone	Alone	Islander Alone					
15+	26,153	13,319	48	21	521	257	149	66	266
15+									135
15-64	20,830	10,168	44	17	482	235	131	54	239
15-64									119
20+	23,991	12,280	42	19	471	232	128	56	224
20+									113
20-64	18,668	9,129	38	15	432	210	110	44	197
20-64									97
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,668</b>	<b>9,129</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>197</b>
									<b>548</b>
									<b>275</b>
		American Indian & Alaska Native		Asian Alone & Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
Other Age Group	White Alone	Black Alone	Alone	Islander Alone					
0 to 4	1,723	842	3	3	49	26	3	1	36
0 to 4									21
5 to 19	6,141	3,017	16	7	200	88	38	21	143
5 to 19									73
20 to 44	10,007	4,845	28	9	293	145	74	25	132
20 to 44									65
45 to 64	8,661	4,284	10	6	139	65	36	19	65
45 to 64									32
65+	5,323	3,151	4	4	39	22	18	12	27
65+									16
<b>Total</b>	<b>31,855</b>	<b>16,139</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>403</b>
									<b>207</b>
									<b>936</b>
									<b>500</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2003 Population Estimates.

Compiled by: Research & Analysis Bureau.

## Top 20 Private Employers in Silver Bow County Listed in Alphabetical Order

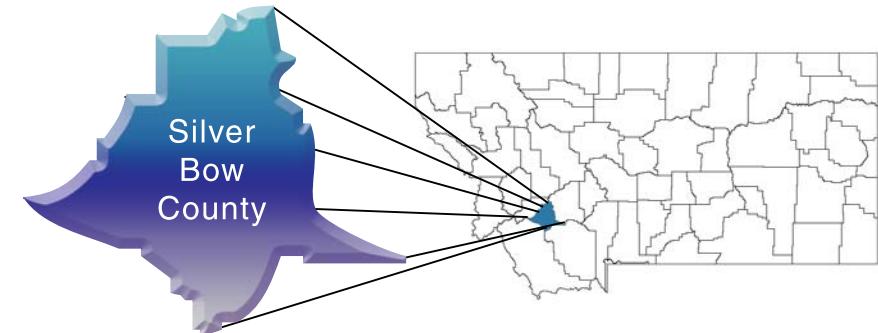
Advanced Silicon Materials	Crest Nursing Home	Northwestern Energy
Aware Inc.	Easter Seals - Goodwill	Perkins Family Restaurant & Bakery
Butte Convalescent Center	Harrington Restaurant Supply	Rocky Mountain Clinic
Butte GM Auto Center	Herbergers	St. James Community Hospital
Children's Comprehensive Services	MSE Inc.	Town Pump
Community Counseling & Correctional Service	Montana Resources	Wal-Mart
Community Health Center	Montana Standard	

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau  
Third Quarter 2004 Unemployment Insurance Information. This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to Unemployment Insurance. Railroads and city, county, state, and federal government agencies (including public school districts and universities) are excluded.



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## For Silver Bow County



## Cities and Towns in Silver Bow County

Butte ■ Divide ■ Melrose ■ Ramsay ■ Walkerville



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Located in southwestern Montana, Silver Bow County is Montana's eighth most populous with 33,093 residents, according to the 2004 Census Bureau estimates. Butte, the county seat, is the state's fourth largest city with a population of 32,519, according to the 2003 Census Bureau estimates. The county of Silver Bow (excluding the town of Walkerville) and the city of Butte are consolidated under an elected executive form of government.

The 2003 Employment by Industry table on the inside shows government is the largest employer in Silver Bow County with 17 percent of the total employment, influenced by higher education institutions. Private health care is the number one private sector with about 16 percent of total employment, followed by retail trade. Utilities has strong employment with Northwestern Energy's Montana headquarters in Butte. Professional, scientific, and technical services also has a positive impact on employment with six percent of the total private employment and 10 percent of the total wages.

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Silver Bow County households in 2002 was \$31,248, compared to Montana's median income of \$34,105 for the same year. Median income is the average per household income in the county (no matter how many people live in the home); per capita income (inside table) is total income in the county divided by the number of people in the county.

Nicknamed the "Mining City," Butte is rich in mining resources. Residents have endured harsh economic times and earned the nickname "Can Do City" by building a stronger local economy and soliciting new businesses to the area.

## Silver Bow County Population Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Area	7/1/2004	7/1/2003	7/1/2002	4/1/2000	4/1/1990	Percent Change	Percent Change	Percent Change	Percent Change	Percent Change
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	Census	Census	2003-2004	2002-2003	2000-2004	2000-2003	1990-2000
Montana	926,865	917,621	910,372	902,195	799,065	1.0%	0.8%	2.7%	1.7%	12.9%
Silver Bow	33,093	33,232	33,451	34,606	33,941	-0.4%	-0.7%	-4.4%	-4.0%	2.0%
Butte-Silver Bow	NA	32,519	32,759	33,892	33,309	NA	-0.7%	NA	-3.3%	1.8%
Walkerville	NA	689	688	714	632	NA	0.1%	NA	-3.6%	13.0%

## 2000 Silver Bow County Commuters by Location

County of Residence	# Who Work in Silver Bow	County of Work	# Who Live in Silver Bow
	County	County	County
Out of State	115	Out of State	132
Beaverhead County	76	Beaverhead County	59
Chouteau County	9	Cascade County	6
Deer Lodge County	527	Deer Lodge County	160
Gallatin County	48	Gallatin County	92
Granite County	36	Granite County	13
Jefferson County	386	Jefferson County	202
Lewis & Clark County	38	Lewis & Clark County	102
Madison County	60	Missoula County	97
Missoula County	49	Powell County	162
Powell County	113	Silver Bow County	14,516
Sanders County	6	Stillwater County	9
Silver Bow County	14,516	Sweet Grass County	6
Yellowstone County	44	Toole County	7
Other Montana Counties	23	Yellowstone County	30
		Other Montana Counties	8

Source: 2000 U.S. Census Bureau Data.

## Summary of Major Occupational Categories By Gender 2000 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data Employed Person 16 Years and Older-Silver Bow County

Occupation	Total	Male	Female
<i>Total</i>	15,768	8,176	7,592
<i>Management, professional, and related occupations:</i>	5,102	2,574	2,528
Management, business, and financial operations occupations:	1,923	1,123	800
Management, except farmers and farm managers	1,236	745	491
Farmers and farm managers	153	124	29
Business and financial operations occupations:	534	254	280
<i>Professional and related occupations:</i>	3,179	1,451	1,728
Education, training, and library occupations	789	244	545
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations:	805	192	613
<i>Service occupations:</i>	3,063	1,137	1,926
Protective service occupations:	375	269	106
Food preparation and serving related occupations	1,079	413	666
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	596	305	291
Personal care and service occupations	608	81	527
<i>Sales and office occupations:</i>	4,265	1,478	2,787
Sales and related occupations	1,896	961	935
Office and administrative support occupations	2,369	517	1,852
<i>Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations</i>	114	93	21
<i>Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations:</i>	1,478	1,432	46
Construction and extraction occupations:	573	844	29
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	605	588	17
<i>Production, transportation, and material moving occupations:</i>	1,746	1,462	284
Production occupations	788	583	205
Motor vehicle operators	591	576	15
Material moving workers	332	272	60

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Equal Employment Opportunity File, [www.census.gov/eeo](http://www.census.gov/eeo) 2001.

## Silver Bow County Annual Average Labor Force

Year	Civilian Labor Force		Unemployment	
	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	
2004	16,652	15,851	801	4.8%
2003	16,627	15,832	795	4.8%
2002	16,461	15,807	834	5.0%
2001	16,601	15,775	826	5.0%
2000	16,764	15,775	989	5.9%

Source: These estimates are provisional estimates produced by the U.S. Department of Labor's, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and will be revised further in 2005.

### Resources

#### Census and Economic Information for Montana:

Census and Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, P. O. Box 200505, Helena, MT 59620-0505, 406-841-2740 or check out the Internet website at:  
<http://ceic.commerce.mt.gov/>

#### Chamber of Commerce:

Butte-Silver Bow Chamber, 1000 George St., Butte, MT 59701, 406-723-3177,  
<http://www.butteinfo.org>

#### Department of Labor and Industry:

**Butte Job Service Workforce Center**  
2201 White Blvd., Butte, MT 59702, 406-494-0300, <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/local/butte/>

#### Economic Development:

Butte Local Development Corporation, P. O. Box 507, 305 W. Mercury, Butte, MT 59701, 406-723-4349

#### Internet:

Montana Workforce Services home page for job listings at <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/>  
For information on the Internet about the cities and towns of Butte, Divide, Melrose, and Walkerville, go to <http://www.visitmt.com> and click on "cities and towns."

#### Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

**Drivers' Licensing**  
Butte—3615 Wynne St., 406-533-6630

#### Postsecondary Education Institutions:

**Montana University System**  
Montana Tech of the University of Montana, 1300 W. Park St., Butte, MT 59701, 800-445-TECH, <http://www.mtech.edu/>  
Montana Tech of the University of Montana College of Technology, 25 Basin Creek Road, Butte, MT 59701, 406-496-3707, [http://www.mtech.edu/cot\\_tech/](http://www.mtech.edu/cot_tech/)

## Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Research & Analysis Bureau

For information on employment by industry, new businesses, labor market information, job projections, and hourly pay by occupation, contact our office at:

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Be sure to check our location quotients for Silver Bow County on the website. Location quotients are a measure of the concentration of an industry's employment in Silver Bow County relative to the nation as a whole. A location quotient greater than 1 generally indicates that the industry is more concentrated in Silver Bow County than in the nation as a whole, while a location quotient less than 1 indicates it is less concentrated in Silver Bow County than in the nation as a whole.

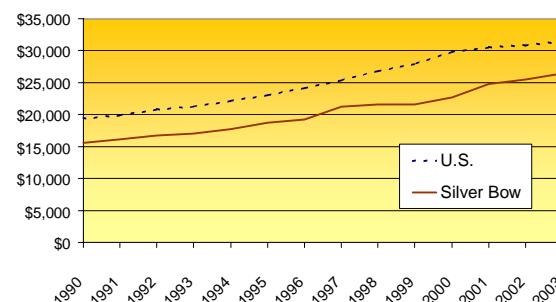
## Silver Bow County Farms and Ranches

Total Farms and Ranches	155
Oilseed & Grain Farming	1
Vegetable & Melon Farming	0
Fruit & Tree Nut Farming	2
Greenhouse, Nursery & Floriculture Production	2
Sugar Beets, Hay & All Other Crops	16
Beef Cattle Ranching & Farming	61
Cattle Feedlots	2
Dairy Cattle & Milk Production	2
Hog & Pig Farming	2
Poultry & Egg Production	2
Sheep & Goat Farming	0
Animal Aquaculture & Other Animal Production	65

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002 Census of Agriculture.

## Silver Bow County Per Capita Personal Income

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**Newspaper:**

Montana Standard, 25 W. Granite St., Butte, MT 59701, 406-496-5500,  
<http://www.montanastandard.com/>

**Public Library:**

Butte-Silver Bow Public Library, 226 W. Broadway, Butte, MT 59701-9224, 406-723-3361

**Silver Bow County Public Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:**

Butte Public Schools, 111 N. Montana, Butte, MT 59701, 406-533-2501  
 Divide Elementary, P.O. Box 9, Divide, MT 59727, 406-782-8601  
 Melrose Elementary, P.O. Box 128, Melrose, MT 59743, 406-835-3106  
 Ramsay Elementary, P.O. Box 105, Ramsay, MT 59748, 406-782-5470

Year	U.S.	Silver Bow County	% of National Average		Year	U.S.	Silver Bow County	% of National Average	
			Year	U.S.				Year	U.S.
2003	\$31,472	\$26,522	84%		1996	\$24,175	\$19,219	79%	
2002	\$30,804	\$25,517	83%		1995	\$23,076	\$18,702	81%	
2001	\$30,575	\$24,777	81%		1994	\$22,172	\$17,699	80%	
2000	\$29,847	\$22,691	76%		1993	\$21,346	\$17,053	80%	
1999	\$27,939	\$21,648	77%		1992	\$20,854	\$16,774	80%	
1998	\$26,883	\$21,652	81%		1991	\$19,892	\$16,122	81%	
1997	\$25,334	\$21,238	84%		1990	\$19,477	\$15,584	80%	

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis,  
 Regional Economic Information System. Released September 2004.

## Silver Bow County Employment by Industry\*

### Annual Averages 2004

Industry	# of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid	Industry	# of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid
<b>TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES</b>	1226	14596	\$415,850,129	Air transportation	2	Non Disclosable	
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b>	1170	12231	\$335,239,698	Truck transportation	18	109	\$4,096,947
<b>AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING &amp; HUNTING</b>	6	26	\$665,800	Transit and ground passenger transport	2	Non Disclosable	
Crop production	2	Non Disclosable		Pipeline transportation	1	Non Disclosable	
Animal production	3	20	\$593,841	Support activities for transportation	7	45	\$1,314,134
Agriculture & forestry support	1	Non Disclosable		Couriers and messengers	4	66	\$2,202,391
<b>MINING</b>	7	408	\$19,205,306	Warehousing and storage	2	Non Disclosable	
Oil and gas extraction	1	Non Disclosable		<b>INFORMATION</b>	25	347	\$11,946,821
Mining, except oil and gas	3	Non Disclosable		Publishing industries, except Internet	5	Non Disclosable	
Support activities for mining	3	Non Disclosable		Motion picture, sound recording industry	2	Non Disclosable	
<b>UTILITIES</b>	11	563	\$34,909,403	Broadcasting, except Internet	5	73	\$1,914,874
<b>CONSTRUCTION</b>	110	456	\$14,577,004	Telecommunications	12	125	\$6,131,665
Construction of buildings	35	141	\$4,182,427	ISPs, search portals, & data processing	2	Non Disclosable	
Heavy and civil engineering construction	12	61	\$2,807,265	<b>FINANCE AND INSURANCE</b>	58	299	\$11,096,023
Specialty trade contractors	63	255	\$7,587,312	Credit intermediation & related activity	26	193	\$5,964,718
<b>MANUFACTURING</b>	39	552	\$22,051,178	Securities, comm. contracts, investments	10	Non Disclosable	
Food manufacturing	7	43	\$573,956	Insurance carriers & related activities	22	65	\$2,600,793
Beverage and tobacco product mfg	3	102	\$2,788,499	<b>REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING</b>	43	169	\$2,729,611
Textile product mills	1	Non Disclosable		Real estate	31	69	\$1,411,713
Wood product manufacturing	4	14	\$222,724	Rental and leasing services	12	100	\$1,317,898
Printing and related support activities	4	28	\$600,909	<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES</b>	104	793	\$35,957,721
Petroleum & coal products manufacturing	1	Non Disclosable		MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	1	Non Disclosable	
Chemical manufacturing	3	Non Disclosable		<b>ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES</b>	56	492	\$11,940,143
Nonmetallic mineral product mfg	3	35	\$1,075,233	Administrative and support services	52	459	\$11,050,450
Primary metal manufacturing	1	Non Disclosable		Waste management and remediation service	4	33	\$889,693
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	5	36	\$784,042	<b>EDUCATIONAL SERVICES</b>	12	137	\$1,650,688
Machinery manufacturing	1	Non Disclosable		<b>HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE</b>	153	2389	\$64,603,021
Furniture and related product mfg	1	Non Disclosable		Ambulatory health care services	98	753	\$25,082,417
Miscellaneous manufacturing	6	9	\$170,293	Hospitals	4	787	\$25,600,083
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b>	53	382	\$12,071,259	Nursing and residential care facilities	18	541	\$8,667,843
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	31	191	\$6,082,886	Social assistance	34	308	\$5,252,678
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	15	163	\$4,982,702	<b>ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION</b>	41	370	\$4,588,379
Electronic markets & agents and brokers	7	28	\$1,005,671	Performing arts and spectator sports	6	35	\$492,700
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b>	170	2178	\$44,312,028	Museums, historical sites, zoos, & parks	3	23	\$180,941
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	25	327	\$9,017,610	Amusements, gambling, and recreation	32	311	\$3,914,738
Furniture and home furnishings stores	15	88	\$2,796,678	<b>ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES</b>	127	1694	\$19,107,070
Electronics and appliance stores	9	58	\$1,532,395	Accommodation	17	361	\$4,135,523
Building material & garden supply stores	16	129	\$3,317,373	Food services and drinking places	110	1334	\$14,971,547
Food and beverage stores	11	216	\$4,670,277	<b>OTHER SERVICES</b>	120	553	\$9,271,014
Health and personal care stores	9	62	\$1,491,311	Repair and maintenance	41	179	\$3,836,531
Gasoline stations	11	178	\$2,753,508	Personal and laundry services	21	86	\$1,282,106
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	17	65	\$847,900	Membership associations & organizations	48	272	\$3,988,672
Sporting good, hobby, book, music stores	16	115	\$1,209,208	Private households	10	17	\$163,705
General merchandise stores	9	642	\$11,849,546	<b>TOTAL GOVERNMENT</b>	57	2365	\$80,610,431
Miscellaneous store retailers	25	256	\$3,943,491	Local Government	10	1186	\$36,234,146
Nonstore retailers	9	44	\$882,731	State Government	19	870	\$28,898,392
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING</b>	36	299	\$9,228,650	Federal Government	28	309	\$15,477,893

Source: Montana Department of Labor and Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau. (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.) \*This data is based on the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) series which compiles data reported by all employers covered under Montana unemployment insurance.